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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
(37 C.F.R. 1.114)

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1. Applicant hereby requests continued examination, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, for the above-identified application.

**TIME REQUEST IS BEING MADE**

2. This request is being submitted:
- i. ☒ Prior to abandonment of the application
  - ii. ☐ Payment of the issue fee
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    - ☐ Issue fee has been paid but a petition under § 1.313 has been granted
  - iii. ☐ Prior to a decision on appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals & Interferences
    - ☐ A notice is being separately sent to the Board of Patent Appeals & Interferences that this Request for Continued Examination is being filed.
  - iv. ☐ Appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals of the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. 145; or
    - ☐ Commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. 146
    - ☐ Prior to the filing of such appeal or commencement of civil action
    - ☐ Such appeal or commencement of civil action has been terminated

**SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

3. a) Previously submitted
- ☒ Consider the amendment under 37 C.F.R. 1.116 simultaneously filed herewith.  
(Any unentered amendments referred to above will be entered)
  - ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously submitted on
  - ☐ Other
- b) Enclosed herewith is:
- ☐ An information disclosure (37 C.F.R. §1.98)
  - ☐ Form PTO-1449 (PTO/SB/08A and 08B)
  - ☒ An amendment under 37 C.F.R. 1.116
  - ☐ New arguments
  - ☐ New evidence in support of patentability
  - ☐ Other:

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**FEE FOR REQUEST (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e))**

4. This application is on behalf of:

☒ Large entity

\$750.00

Continued Prosecution Request Fee \$750.00

**FEE FOR CLAIMS**

5. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

	(Col. 1)		(Col. 2)	(Col. 3)	Small Entity			Large Entity	
	Claims remaining after amendment		Highest No. previously paid for	Present Extra	Rate	Add. Fee	Or	Rate	Add. Fee
Total	22	Minus	29	None	x\$9=	\$		x\$18=	\$
Indep.	5	Minus	4	1	x\$42=	\$		x\$84=	\$84.00
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claims					+\$140=	\$		+\$280=	
					Total Addit. Fee		Or	Total Addit. Fee	

- (d)
- ☒
- Total additional fee required is \$84.00.

**EXTENSION OF TIME**

6. The proceedings herein are for a patent application, and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) apply.

(a) No extension of time is necessary.

**TOTAL FEES DUE**

7. The total fees due are:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Continued Prosecution Fee (§ 1.17(e))	\$750.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fee for additional claims (if any) (§ 1.16(b)-(d))	\$ 84.00
Total Fees Due	\$834.00

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**PAYMENT OF FEES DUE**

8. Please pay the fees for this continued examination application as follows:

☒ Charge Credit Card the sum of \$834.00  
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§ 1.17(a)(1)-(4) to

☒ Account No. 12-1099 of Lerner and Greenberg, P.A.

**INVENTORSHIP**

9. This application as amended names as inventors:

☒ the same inventors as previously designated for the claims.

10. Instructions as to Overpayment

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